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After beginning his legal career as a judicial clerk for the Chief Judge of the D.C. Court of Appeals, Rao joined the Trial Department at McDermott Will & Emery LLP in Washington, DC, where he focused on Supreme Court and Appellate Advocacy, as well as Complex Commercial Litigation, White Collar and Securities Defense. Rao later moved to the Litigation Practice Group at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP in New York, New York, where he continued his focus on White Collar and Securities Defense.

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